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SUBJECT: MEDIA REACTION: CHANGE OF TODMAN ASSIGNMENT: APRIL 8-11

1. FAIRLY EXTENSIVE WEEKEND PLAY GIVEN TO POSSIBILITY TODMAN BEING
"DESIGNATED FOR IMPORTANT DIPLOMATIC POST IN WESTERN EUROPE" BY TV
AND RADIO. PRO-GOVERNMENT DAILY NOVEDADES IN SATURDAY STORY BASED
ON UPI DISPATCH SAYS "TODMAN ACCEPTED THE POST MORE FOR PERSONAL
CONSIDERATIONS THAN
FOR INTERNAL ORDER WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE". "THEY WILL SEND
TODMAN TO SPAIN AS AMBASSADOR" IS CAPTION.

2. SUNDAY EVENING OPPOSITION DAILY LA PRENSA CARRIED EFE STORY
THAT EMPHASIZES CHANGE OF ASSIGNMENT DUE TO BEING "TOO SOFT" (DEMAS-
IADO SUAVE) IN HUMAN RIGHTS POLICY. ARTICLE CITES POST AND STAR
STORIES OF APRIL 9. LA PRENSA HEADLINE READS "SOFTNESS WITH SOMOZA
THROWS OUT TODMAN" (SUAVIDAD CON SOMOZA BOTO' A TODMAN). LATIN
STORY REFERS TO F FEB. 14 NEW YORK SPEECH WITH CAPTION "SPEECH
FATAL FOR TODMAN".

3. APRIL 10 PROVINCIAL DAILY CENTROAMERICANO CARRIES FRONT PAGE
PHOTO OF TODMAN AND SHORT STORY "TODMAN DENIES THEY ARE DISMISSING
HIM." APRIL 11 NOVEDADES CARRIES UPI ARTICLE WHICH QUOTES AT SOME
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LENGTH FROM STATEMENT ISSUED BY ASSISTANT SECRETARY. LARGE CAPTIONS
ARE "CATEGORIC REJECTION BY TODMAN TO SPECULATIONS ABOUT HIS TRANS-
FER." ITEM. FTIZGERALD

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